GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4286
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Super Speciality Block and Emergency Blocks in Safdarjung Hospital
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government had granted approval for setting up of super speciality block and emergency blocks in Safdarjung hospital;

(b) if so, the details and status thereof;

(c) whether the Government has approved setting up robotic system in super speciality and emergency blocks;

(d) if so, the details and present status in this regard;

(e) whether only one per cent of GDP is spent on healthcare in India as compared to 10-16 percent of GDP in other countries; and

(f) if so, the details and reasons thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) & (b): Government has approved construction of 807 bedded Super specialty Block (SSB) and 500 bedded Emergency Block under redevelopment plan of Safdarjung Hospital with estimated cost of Rs. 1333 crore. The Emergency building structure has been completed.

(c) & (d): Robotic System has been approved for Urology Department in Super Specialty Block under Redevelopment Plan of Safdarjung Hospital, procurement of which has been approved by Integrated Purchase Committee and order for its procurement has been issued.

(e) & (f): As per Economic Survey, 2016-17, expenditure by Government (Centre and States) on health as percentage of GDP for 2016-17 (BE) is 1.4 per cent.

The allocation of funds for health sector is based, inter alia, on the availability of resources and competing claims on these resources. An increase in economic growth makes available increased resources for funding the health sector. In addition to this, availability of overall resources, past utilization, requirement and absorptive capacity, inter alia, guide the allocation to the health sector.